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For: A METHOD FOR STERILIZING AND DISINFECTING BODY TISSUES BY

USING IONTOPHORESIS AND THE MEDICAL DEVICE

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## <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)</u>

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Sir:

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